

ARIZONA GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION COUNCIL

Executive Board Meeting Minutes July 19, 2001

I. Call to Order. The Council was called to order at 1:44 p.m. by Tom Elder, previous AGIC President. Tim Smothers, current AGIC President, was delayed in arriving to the meeting. A count of Board Members established that a quorum was present. (See attached list of Board Members present).

II. Budget Update. Santiago Garcia, acting as an Alternate Representative for Lynn Larson, reported on the status for the AGIC and AGIC Conference Budget. The Conference Budget did not change since the last meeting. The AGIC Budget showed 9 new contributions totaling \$2950. Only one contributor was not identified, although it is believed to be the University of Arizona. New expenses totaled \$413 for the AGIC intern.

Santiago also explained that it is customary to move a large portion of money from the Conference Budget to the AGIC Budget. He suggested a motion to move \$20,000 from the Conference Budget to the AGIC Budget. Gene Trobia followed up by explaining that the money is moved to make it available for use in AGIC projects. The money remaining in the Conference Budget is used to plan and organize the upcoming AGIC Conference. Rick Harrington moved that \$20,000 be transferred from the Conference Budget to the AGIC Budget. Rod Hampton seconded the motion.

Action Item: Motion to transfer \$20,000 to the AGIC Budget was approved unanimously.

III. Approval of Minutes of the March 15 and May 3, 2001 meeting. Tim Smothers requested a motion to approve. Motion forwarded by Jami Garrison. Seconded by Bob Cooper. Motion approved unanimously.

Action Item: Approval of minutes motion approved unanimously.

IV. Subcommittee Reports.

A. Administration and Legal Subcommittee Report.

1. Presentation of Award for Tony Gonzales

Gene Trobia announced an award for Tony Gonzales in appreciation of his contributions to AGIC and the Arizona GIS community. The plaque was received by Jami Garrison on behalf of Tony's wife, who was unable to attend the meeting. Jami said a few words about Tony, his legacy at ADOT and his family. Gene also expressed his appreciation for Tony and his involvement with ADOT GIS.

2. Strategic Plan

Jana Fry explained that the planning group is reorganizing and streamlining the strategic plan. The group is also drafting a brochure with information about AGIC. The intent of the group is to identify AGIC core functions as well as future directions.

B. Data Resources

DOQQs

Tom Sturm explained the status of the statewide DEM's. Work on the data set will begin this fall and will be completed at the end of the next fiscal year. Tom also explained that the remaining DOQQs will be completed by the end of this fiscal year. Once completed they will be sent to Dave Wilson at the BLM for inclusion in the current DOQQ project.

Santiago provided an update of the DOQQ project. A CD containing sample DOQQ data and an instruction sheet was passed out to all the attendees. The CD contained two files in ECW format. Each file consisted of quarter-quads mosaiced, color balanced and compressed using ER-Mapper software. Up to 64 quarter-quads were mosaiced and compressed into one ECW file. The data was originally color infra-red but converted to black and white. The CD label contains a disclaimer that was approved by the Attorney General's Office for use on the ALRIS Data CD.

Tom added that the original DOQQs are useable up to 1:4800 scale and is anxious to review the new product. Craig Wissler asked if there are any restrictions on the data. Gene replied that the data is public domain and there are no restrictions. Rod Hampton asked if the new product will be available by county. Gene replied that if time and budget permits, those custom projects would be completed. At the minimum all the appropriate files could be provided. Gene explained that the ultimate goal is to obtain newer photography in areas of high growth and register the new photography to the DOQQs. The project is expected to be completed by the first part of the next calendar year.

V. Arizona State Imagery Workshop

Gene stated that money from NASA is available to hold a workshop. The University of Arizona Center for Remote Sensing is willing to be involved. Gene's initial concept is a one day workshop in a central location focusing on how to combine remote sensing and GIS. Victor asked who the target of the workshop will be. Gene thought the focus should be technical. Tim suggested that the workshop have a general overview in the morning and the second half focus on technical information.

Action Item: Gene will send out information in the future as the workshop develops.

VI. The National Map

Gene passed out handouts describing the National Map, a report from the USGS describing a method to create "current, accurate, and nationally consistent basic spatial data...". The USGS has requested input from the states including WGA and NSGIC, however, the deadline for comments was short. Gene found it interesting that the report did not mention the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI) or the word framework.

VII. Miscellaneous Announcements

Gene announced the dates of the S.W.U.G. conference to be held in Tucson, Arizona. Registration for the conference has begun and vendor booths have been sold-out. A conference schedule was passed out to the attendees.

Tom Sturm explained that the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) has begun a transportation identification review standard. The standard is available for review.

Action Item: Jami Garrison agreed to review the standard.

VII. Call to the Public

No Comments.

VIII. Next Meeting & Location

Next meeting September 20, 2001 at 1:30 pm. Location TBA.

Meeting adjourned at 2:58 pm

Board Members Present:

Susan Kanzlerr - A

Robert Cooper

Jami Garrison - A

Dena Gambrel

Tom Sturm

Rick Harrington - A

Jana Fry

Craig Wissler

Rod Hampton

Tom Elder

Gregory Tuttle

Dan Worley - A

Gene Trobia -A

Victor Gass

Tim Smothers

Santiago Garcia - A

A- Alternate